

Dead Prez Lyrics

"Learning Growing Changing"

[Intro]

We could grow
We could develop
As we know, the heaven is not a place
And happiness lives in the heart
Long as the world keep turning
I do years, we keep on learning
Ya heard?

[Hook]

Keep on learning, and soaking up game
We gon' make mistakes, we gon' go through some things
Keep on growing, keep on soaking up game
If something ain't working, don't be afraid to change

[Verse 1]

Nobody know it all, as soon as you think you do – that's when you fall
We gotta do more than survive, we must evolve
Things change just when you think you seen it all
We trip, we stumble but we get back and strike
Each day, all the way, one step at a time
Don't wanna let my ego and pride make me blind
The elders say "when you stop growing – that's when you die"
The one who gets the knowledge is the one who asked "why?"
Through the course of life, you gon' taste some humble pie
But I love it – it makes me appreciate the things that I take for granted
Gaining insight and understanding
Each one, teach one, we got to pass it on
Keep doing the knowledge, building and had in all
We're fake that need assumption
That nobody knows everything but everybody knows something

[Hook]

[Verse 2]

The more you know, the more you know – you don't know
And if you don't know there's more you can know then you won't grow
What you don't know can hurt you, discipline is a virtue
You gotta ask the right questions
It helps you go into cycles and cyphers and spirals
Information is viral, it infects you
It's contagious and have you going through stages
Like deny, you don't believe that, no, we didn't do that
Then reality set in, there's no disputing the facts
Yo I'm sorry if I woke you up, but when I open up
It's like I'm smoking but I'm high off the people, watch me soak it up
Huey said the best education is observation and participation

Study how the people be relating
Different points of views turn bad news to good news
See, it's kinda like some shoes cause they gotta make you move
Treat it like organic food, make it something you can chew
Information you can use, make it something you can do

[Hook]

[Interlude]

Aye man, it's okay to say you don't know
That's when you let go your ego
You're free from all illusion, dig?
Can't make moves in confusion
Don't look for conflict, man
Always look for the solution
And my pop said "humility is a sign of wisdom"
But to really soak it in, now that's a different kind of listening
See men sharpen men, and every day is another lesson
And it's not fair you only learn man, it's a blessing
And as the Buddha says, "nothing lasts forever"
You gotta manage your expectations
The less we pray, the less we suffer
And this way we awaken
Right understanding
Right thought
Right speech
Right action
Right livelihood
Right effort
Right mindfulness
Right focus
Keep soaking
Soak it up

[Hook]